

Susanna McVitts Will

I Susanna McVitts now being in my perfect senses and knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death and being in good health at present do hereby make and publish this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made

1st I direct that my funeral expenses and my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may be possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor.
2nd I give and bequeath to my sister Elizabeth who is as sane as my portion of my Father's estate and leave in the hands of R. E. Ferguson to be applied to her use as she needs it, if she lives to need it, but I shew without receiving it then and in that case I bequeath it to R. E. Ferguson who has taken charge of my father and mother, brother and sister and myself for sixteen or fifteen years and was brought by my father in his lifetime that if there was any thing left after his death of all his family that R. E. Ferguson should be the sole heir to such balance and also require that my sister be left in the care of my Cousin R. E. Ferguson to manage her and her property as he think best with the following exceptions

3rd I give and bequeath to Sarah Ferguson Daughter of Benjamin my red silk dress and some small things, if she desires them including a small bible and to Cynthia Fern Ferguson my green silk dress and a large calf skin

4th I direct that my Father's large Sandy Bible be left for my sister to read while she lives and then to belong to Thomas P. Ferguson the son of R. E. Ferguson the rest of the books together with all the stored for housekeeping and supporting a family in grain I direct that R. E. Ferguson take them and use them as his own and have them for service and at her death to be his own but to put nothing to sale without it is his choice and my stock he may sell or keep for family purposes as he chooses.

5th I give and bequeath to my Cousin R. E. Ferguson all and every article not specified in the former part of this will to have as his own property forever except my white dress I give to the Ferguson

6th I do hereby nominate and appoint R. E. Ferguson my Executor to carry this will into effect on writing hereof at the end of my will. Set my hand and seal this 3rd Day of February 1853. I direct that my Executor be not required to give security on his executorship.

Susanna McVitts

Signed, sealed, and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator this 3rd Day of February 1853.

W. R. Swen

Samuel Templins Will

I Samuel Templin do make and publish this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all wills by me ever made at any other time namely as soon as I am aware so much of my personal property as will pay all my just debts of every kind to be sold on a credit of twelve months and the money to be paid in the discharge of my just debts and my land with hand and equal lot to my son and the due to pay to the other two children equal to its value so as to make four equal and my estate be equally divided between the four after Benjamin my son gets married and Primy is to stay with the one of my heirs that gets the home place at her value and he will take care of as long as she lives and if my heirs cannot agree on the value of the land and slave they are to choose five good men to value the land and slave or divide the same so as to make the four heirs equal and all other moneys and property to be equally divided amongst the four. Lastly I appoint James Blank and Benjamin L. Tenkin my Executors to this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I subscribe my name and affix my seal the 27th of December 1852

Witness

George Reed

Robert L. Brown

Sam. Templin

John Winchelo's Will.

The last will & Testament of John Winchelo of Washington County, State of Tennessee.

I John Winchelo, considering the uncertainty of this present life & being of sound mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and Testament in manners and form following, that is to say, I will & bequeath first that all my just debts & funeral expenses be paid out of my estate as due time. I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah Winchelo all the household and kitchen furniture as much thereof as she wants.

2nd I give & bequeath unto her several things, six head of the choicest sheep, one choice horse, two, saddle & bridle, one choice cow & calf, one machine, wheat, bacon & lard as will do her sufficiently for the first twelve months after my decease.

3rd the yellow gin & Harrow I give & bequeath unto her during her natural life time but her death Harrow is to be sold to the highest bidder among the heirs of my estate & if she should have any increase they are to be sold the same way. 4th she is to have the two first choices of the land stands.

5th I give & bequeath to my eldest daughter Mary Wain, one half of a tract of land where she now lives and a tract of land that is a part of Benjamin Wain's containing sixty one acres at their place